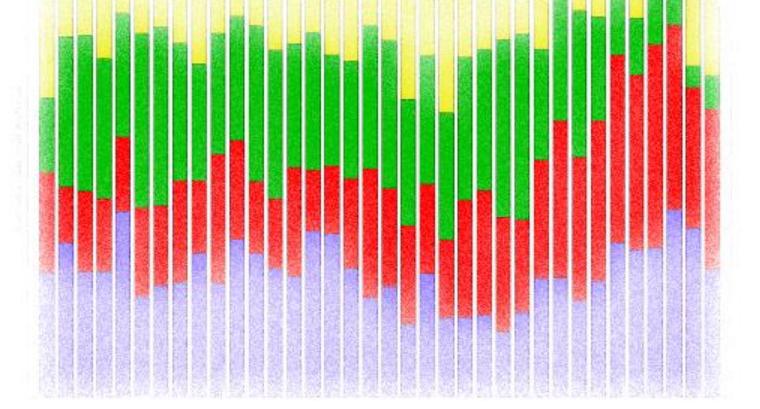
SEQUENCE QUALITY MEASURES, QUALITY CHECK AND PRE-PROCESSING



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SEQUENCE QUALITY MEASURES-PHRED QUALITY SCORE.

What is sequence quality measures?

- Sequencing quality scores measure the probability that a base is called incorrectly.
- Most sequencers will generate a quality control report as part of their analysis pipeline, but this is usually only focused on identifying problems which were generated by the sequencer itself.
- There are many sequences quality controls tools such as FastQC, FastX, Sickle, and RNA-SeQC. FastQC can visually view the quality of the segment. FastX can remove the low quality of the callor read segment. For double-ended sequences, Sickle can simultaneously remove the corresponding reverse read segment while filtering out the forward segment of a lot of low-quality base, and vice versa.
- ➤ RNA-SeQC calculation of RNA-seq data quality indicators used to guide experimental design, quality control and optimization analysis, such as sequences depth (depth of coverage), the alignment area (intron, exon, gene region), rDNA content and so on. RNA-SeQC can also be the length of the sequences alignment of the resuts of statistical analysis, to get a number of quality control indicators.

What is Phred Quality Score?

PHRED - Phil's Read Editor (University of Washington Genome Center)

Phred quality score is used to indicate the measure of base quality in DNA sequencing.

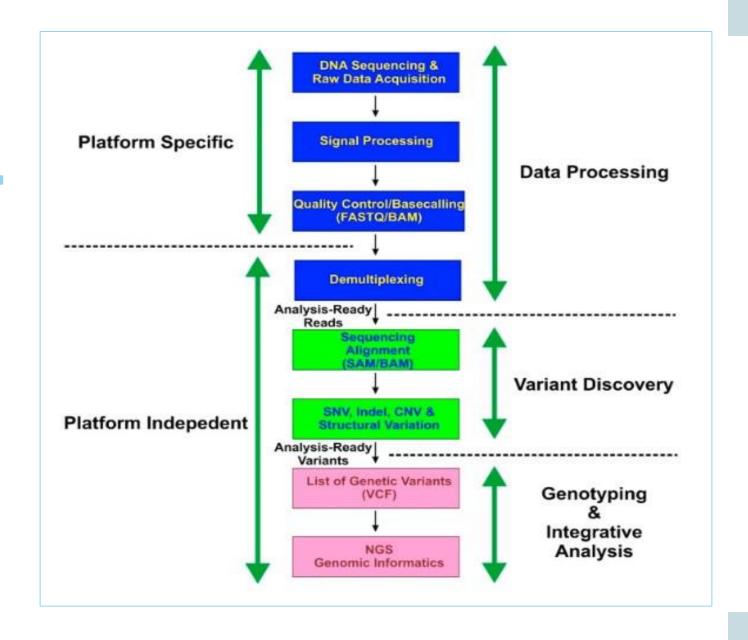
High consistency of a sequenced base is indicated by greater values of Phred. A Phred Score of 20 indicates the likelihood of finding 1 incorrect base call among 100 bases. In other words, the precision of the base call is 99%.

How do you read a Phred quality score?

A higher score indicates a higher probability that a particular decision is correct, while conversely, a lower score indicates a higher probability that the decision is incorrect. The Phred quality score (Q) is logarithmically related to the error probability (E).

Why phred quality score use?

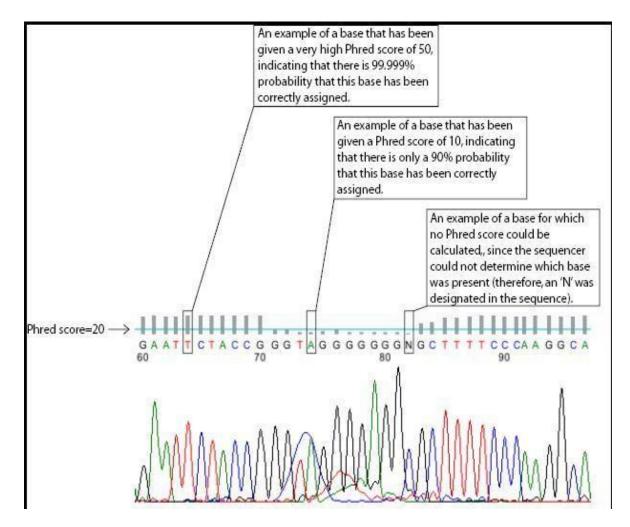
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Phred-quality scores

- Originally developed in phred program (a base calling software)
- Developed by Ewing et all (1998)
- To be used in HGP (Human genome Project).
- The property that is logarithmically related with base call error probability.
- High accuracy of phred quality Scores makes them Standard for measuring sequencing quality.
- P = Probability that a base is wrong
- Formula : $Q = -10 \log_{10} P$
- $P = 10^{-Q/10}$
- Q is known as phred quality score
- Also written as Qsanger
- What is the value of P (Probability that a base is wrong) for Q = 40
- $P = 10^{-0/10}_{40/10}$
- $P = \frac{10}{10^{-4}}$
- P=¹⁰
- P=0.0001

Phred Quality Score	Probability of incorrect base call	Base call accuracy
10	1 in 10	90%
20	1 in 100	99%
30	1 in 1000	99.9%
40	1 in 10,000	99.99%
50	1 in 100,000	99.999%
60	1 in 1000,000	99.9999%



QUALITY CHECK

What is FastQC?

- Aims to provide a simple way to do some quality control checks on raw sequence data coming from high throughput sequencing pipelines.
- Provide a QC report which can spot problems which originate either in the sequencer or in the starting library material.

The main functions of FastQC are

- Import of data from BAM, SAM or FastQ files (any variant)
- Providing a quick overview to tell you in which areas there may be problems
- Summary graphs and tables to quickly assess your data
- Export of results to an HTML based permanent report

FastQC supported files formats

- FastQ (all quality encoding variants)
- Colorspace FastQ
- GZip compressed FastQ
- SAM
- BAM

BASIC STATISTICS

№FastQC Report

Summary



Per base sequence quality

Per tile sequence quality

Per sequence quality scores

Per base sequence content

Per sequence GC content

Per base N content

Sequence Length Distribution

Sequence Duplication Levels

Overrepresented sequences

Adapter Content

⊘Basic Statistics

Measure	Value		
Filename	sample-fastqc.gz		
File type	Conventional base calls		
Encoding	Sanger / Illumina 1.9		
Total Sequences	10602766		
Total Bases	1 Gbp		
Sequences flagged as poor quality	0		
Sequence length	101		
%GC	49		



PER BASE SEQUENCE QUALITY

BoxWhisker type plot

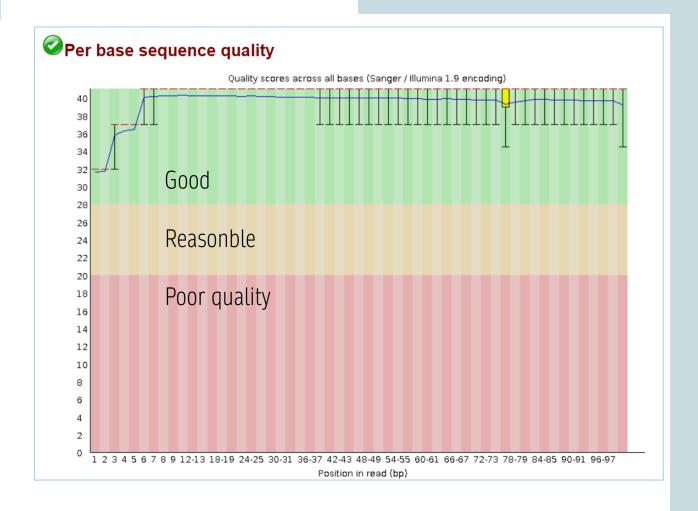
- The central red line median value
- The yellow box the inter-quartile range (25-75%)
- The upper and lower whiskers represent the 10% and 90% points
- The blue line represents the mean quality

Warning

lower quartile - less than 10 median for any base is less than 25.

Failure

lower quartile - less than 5 median for any base is less than 20.



PER TILE SEQUENCE QUALITY

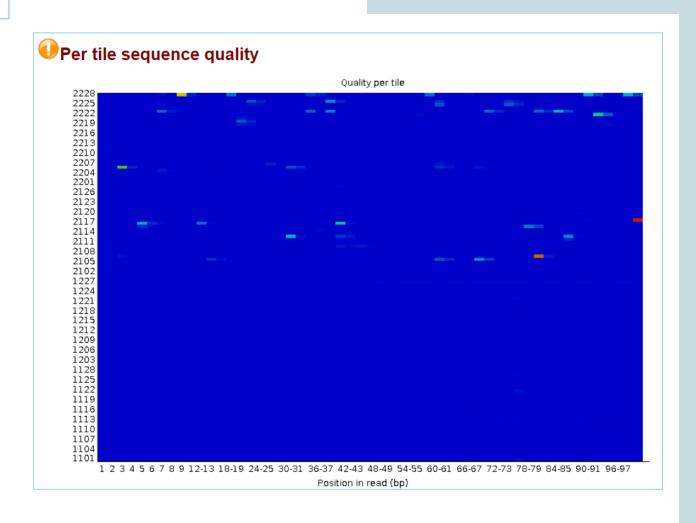
- The plot shows the deviation from the average quality for each tile
- To see loss in quality associated with only one part of the flowcell (from which each read came).

Warning

Mean Phred score > 2 and less than the mean (base across all tiles).

Failure

Mean Phred score > 5 and less than the mean (base across all tiles).



PER SEQUENCE QUALITY SCORE

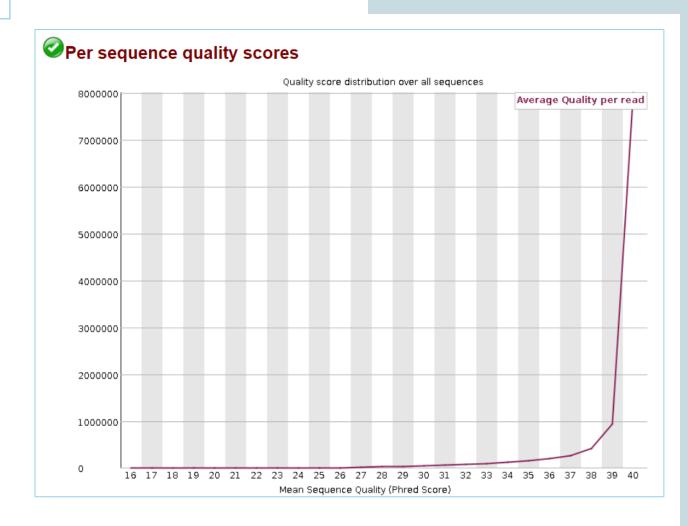
- To see if subset of your sequences have universally low quality values.
- Errors here usually indicate a general loss of quality within a run.

Warning

Mean quality < 27 - this equates to a 0.2% error rate.

Failure

Mean quality < 20 - this equates to a 1% error rate.



PER BASE SEQUENCE CONTENT

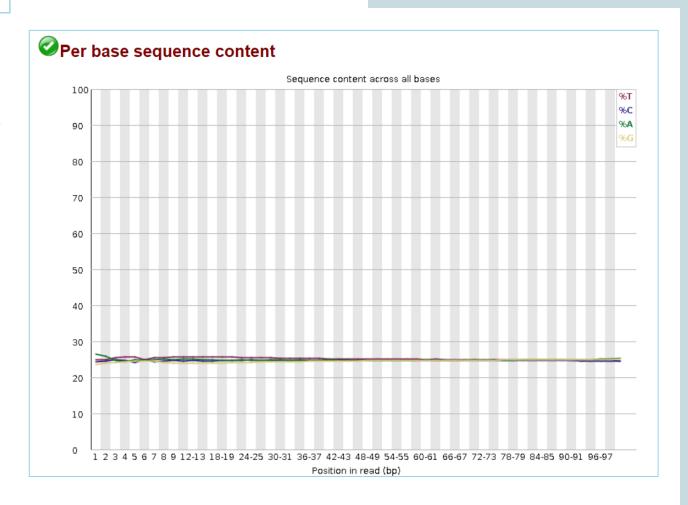
- Proportion of each base position in a sequence.
- No difference between the different bases of a sequence run, shows the lines in this plot should run parallel with each other

Warning

Difference between A and T, or G and C is greater than 10% in any position.

Failure

Difference between A and T, or G and C is greater than 20% in any position.



PER SEQUENCE GC CONTENT

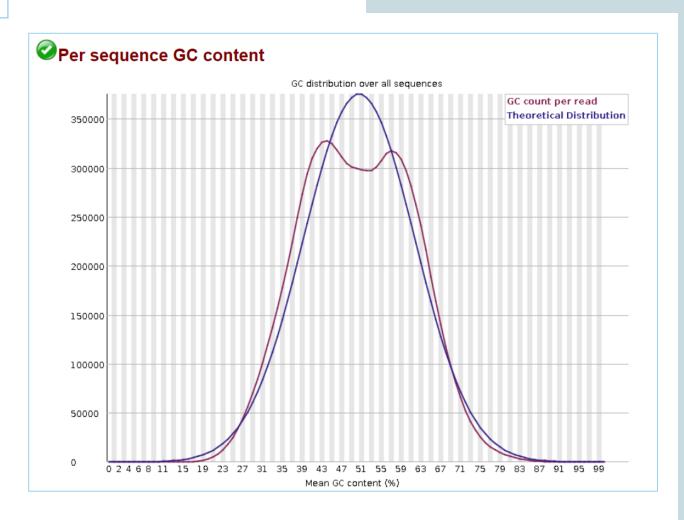
- Measures the GC content across the whole length of each sequence
- the central peak corresponds to the overall GC content

Warning

Sum of the deviations from the normal distribution > 15% of the reads.

Failure

Sum of the deviations from the normal distribution > 30% of the reads.



PER BASE N CONTENT

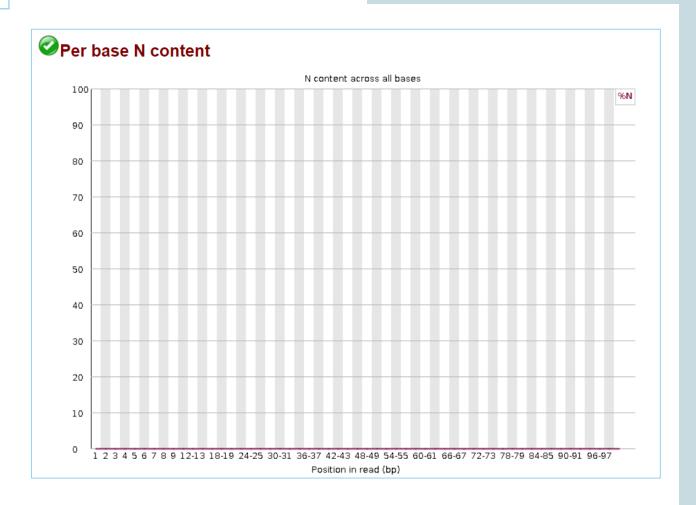
 Measures the amount of N called at each position in a sequence



Position shows an N content of >5%.

Failure

Position shows an N content of >20%.



SEQUENCE LENGTH DISTRIBUTION

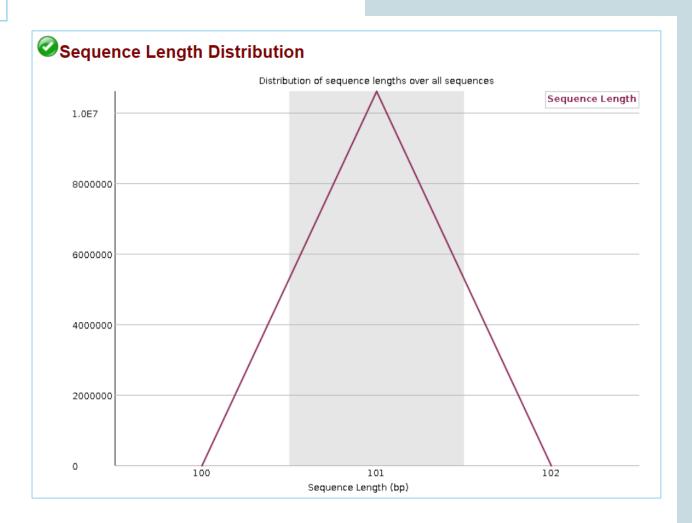
• Shows the distribution of fragment sizes in the sequence which was analysed.

Warning

if all sequences are not the same length.

Failure

if any of the sequences have zero length.



SEQUENCE DUPLICATION LEVEL

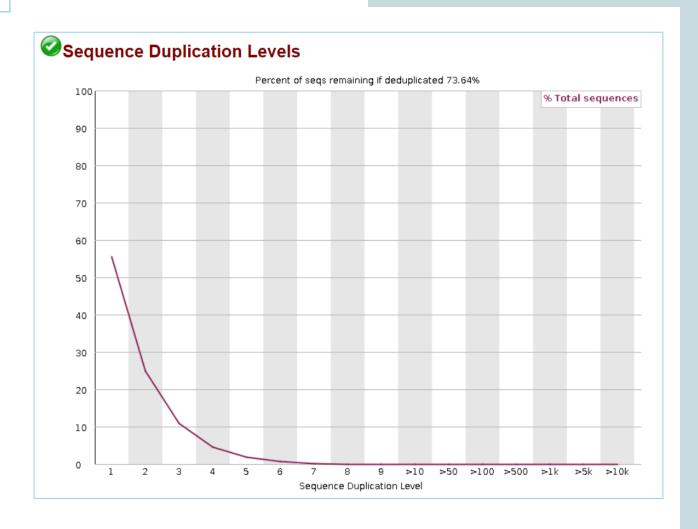
 Counts the degree of duplication for every sequence

Warning

if non-unique sequences make up more than 20% of the total.

Failure

if non-unique sequences make up more than 50% of the total.



OVERREPRESNTED SEQUENCES

- Lists all of the sequence which make up more than 0.1% of the total
- sequences which appear more than expected in the file.

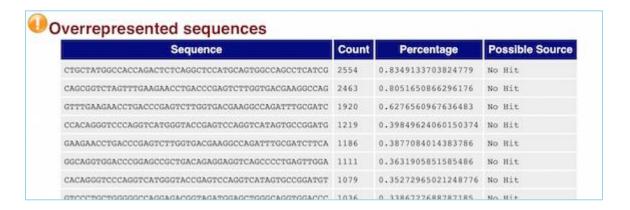


sequence is found to represent more than 0.1% of the total.

Failure

sequence is found to represent more than 1% of the total.





ADAPTER CONTENT

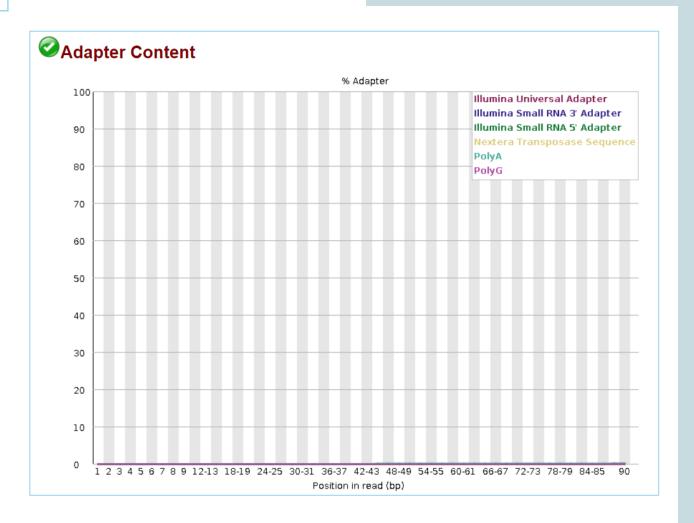
 a cumulative plot that shows the fraction of reads that contain a sequence library adapter at a given base position

Warning

Any sequence is present in more than 5% of all reads.

Failure

Any sequence is present in more than 10% of all reads.



PRE PROCESSING: TRIMMOMATIC

What Is Trimming in NGS?

- 1. Trimming refers to removing unwanted or low-quality sequences from high-throughput sequencing data.
- 2. Trimming helps to remove the regions of low confidence, sequencing artifacts, adapter sequences, and low-quality bases. This means that these artifacts and errors have to be removed, and this process of removal is known as trimming.
- 3. By performing trimming data, bioinformaticians can obtain cleaner, more accurate, and more reliable sequencing data. This is further important in obtaining high-quality results in various downstream bioinformatics applications, such as genome assembly, variant calling, gene expression analysis, and other biological investigations.

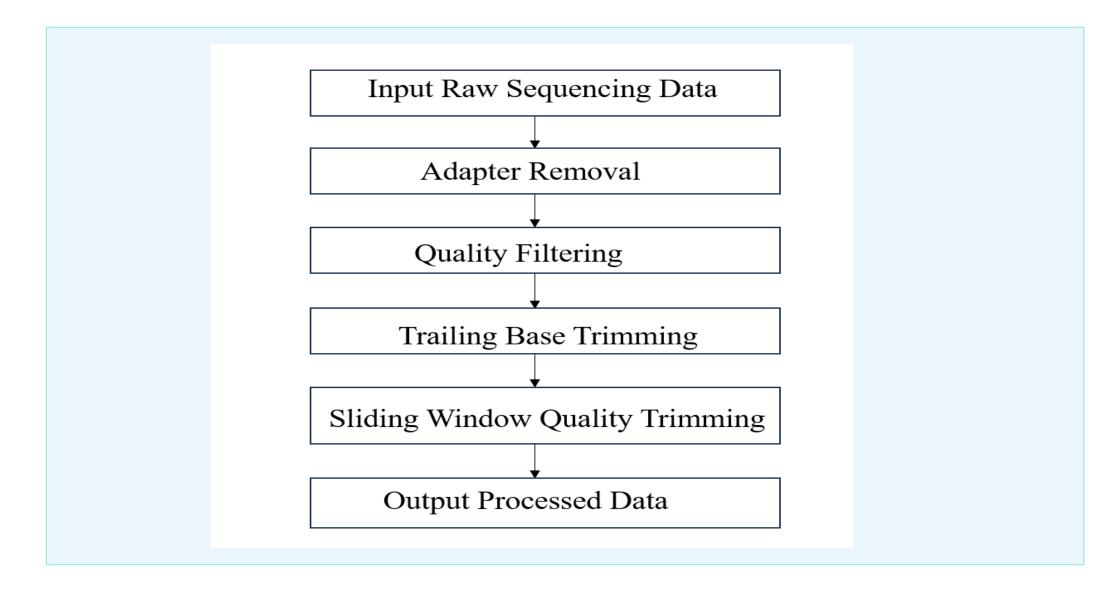
WHY IS TRIMMING DONE?

- 1. Trimming Is Necessary to Remove Adapters
- 2. Trimming Improves Overall Quality of NGS Data
- 3. In the Process of Trimming the Read Length Normalization Is Done
- 4. Trimming Also Helps in Removing Contaminants
- 5. Trimming of NGS Data Leads to Error Correction

What Is Trimmomatic?

- 1. Trimmomatic is one of the most popular bioinformatics tools for quality control (QC) and next-generation sequencing (NGS) data preprocessing.
- 2. It is widely used due to its efficiency, flexibility, and ability to work with various sequencing data formats.
- 3. Trimmomatic's main functionality is to remove low-quality regions and sequencing artifacts from raw NGS reads, ensuring that only high-quality, reliable data is used for the downstream analysis.
- 4. Trimmomatic is a command-line tool, and it is developed in Java.

STEPS:



Step 1: Input Raw Sequencing Data

Start with the input of raw sequencing data, typically in FASTQ format, which includes sequences and associated quality scores.

Step 2: Adapter Removal

Trimmomatic begins by identifying and removing adapter sequences from the raw reads. Adapter sequences are short DNA fragments used during the sequencing process that may still be present in the reads.

The tool uses two approaches to detect technical sequences within the reads: simple mode and palindrome mode

Simple mode works by finding an approximate match between the read and the user-supplied technical sequence, while palindrome mode looks for a palindromic match to detect adapter sequences in the reads

Step 3: Quality Filtering

Trimmomatic filters out low-quality reads based on the quality scores associated with each base position. Reads with low-quality scores are removed to improve the overall quality of the sequencing data. This step helps eliminate unreliable data that may adversely affect downstream analysis.

Step 4: Trailing Base Trimming

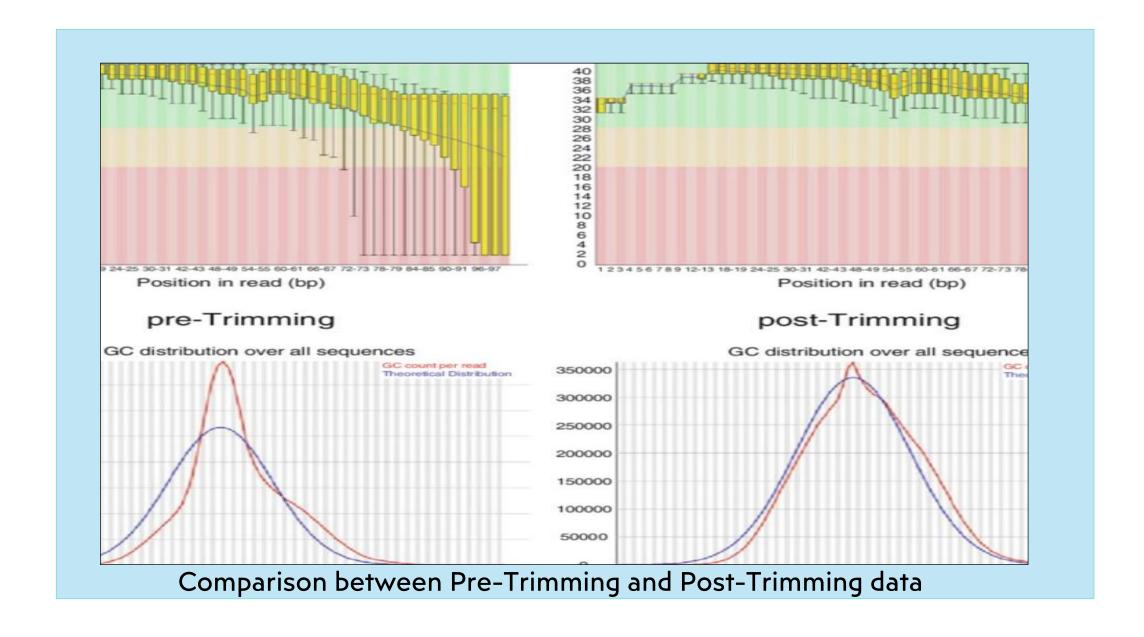
Trimmomatic trims bases from the 3' end (trailing end) of reads if their quality scores drop below a specified threshold. Trimming low-quality bases helps improve the accuracy of downstream analysis by removing unreliable data.

Step 5: Sliding Window Quality Trimming

Trimmomatic performs a sliding window analysis to identify regions of low quality within reads. If the average quality score within a window falls below a specified threshold, bases from the 3' end of the read are trimmed until the quality improves. This step helps remove regions of poor sequencing quality, ensuring the reliability of the sequencing data.

Step 6: Output Processed Data

The processed reads, with adapters removed and low-quality regions trimmed, are saved as output data. The output data is typically in FASTQ format and is ready for downstream analysis such as genome assembly, variant calling, or gene expression analysis.



Steps after trimming process:

Quality Control Assessment: This step helps in ensuring that the trimming process did not introduce any biases or errors and that the data is of high quality for downstream analysis by using tools like FastQC

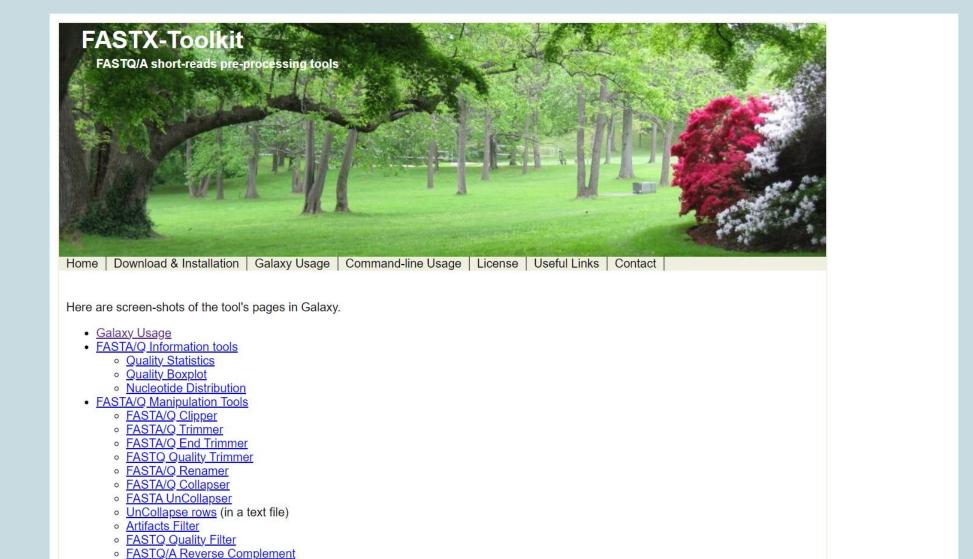
Alignment or Mapping: Align or map the trimmed reads to a reference genome using alignment tools such as Bowtie2, BWA, or HISAT2 for DNA sequencing or STAR for RNA sequencing.

Variant Calling: If you're working with DNA sequencing data, you may perform variant calling to identify genetic variations such as single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) or small insertions/deletions (indels). Tools like GATK, FreeBayes, or SAMtools can be used for variant calling.

Gene Expression Analysis: For RNA sequencing data, if your goal is gene expression analysis, you may quantify gene expression levels using tools such as featureCounts, HTSeq, or Salmon.

Functional Analysis: After identifying differentially expressed genes or variants, you may perform functional analysis to understand the biological significance of your findings. This may involve pathway analysis, gene ontology enrichment analysis, or other functional annotation methods.

Visualization and Interpretation: Visualize the results using plots, graphs, or other visualization tools



Home page of FASTX-Toolkit

FASTA/Q Information tools (screen-shots from Galaxy)

15 6362991 -5

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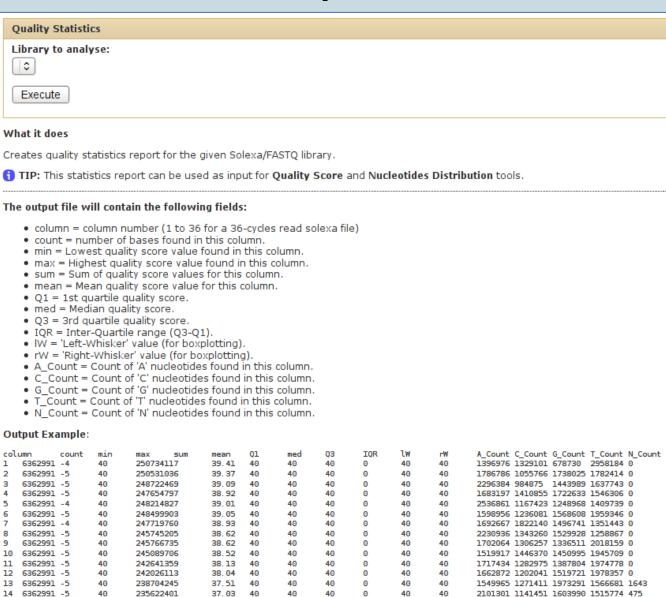
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1522515 1125455 2159183 1555765 73

1479795 2068113 1558400 1249337 7346

2203515 1026017 1474060 1651582 7817

Quality Staistics



Quality Boxplot



What it does

Creates a boxplot graph for the quality scores in the library.

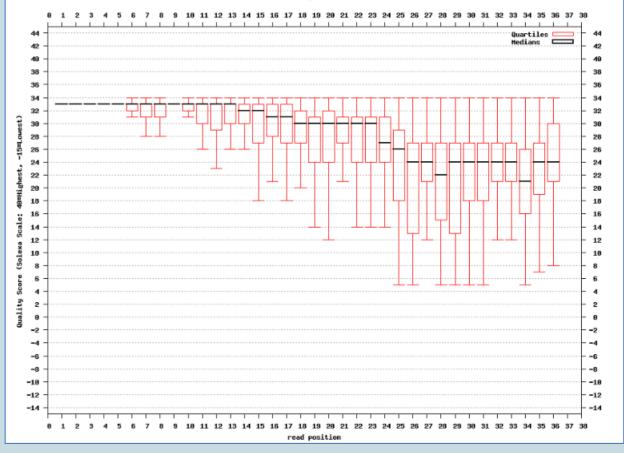
1 TIP: Use the FASTQ Statistics tool to generate the report file needed for this tool.

Output Examples

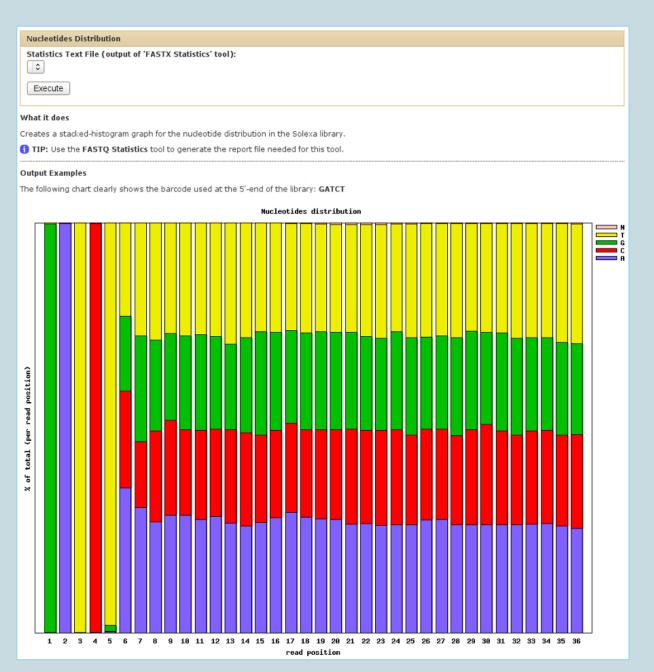
- Black horizontal lines are medians
- . Rectangular red boxes show the Inter-quartile Range (IQR) (top value is Q3, bottom value is Q1)
- Whiskers show outlier at max. 1.5*IQR

A relatively good quality library (median quality degrades towards later cycles):

Quality Score

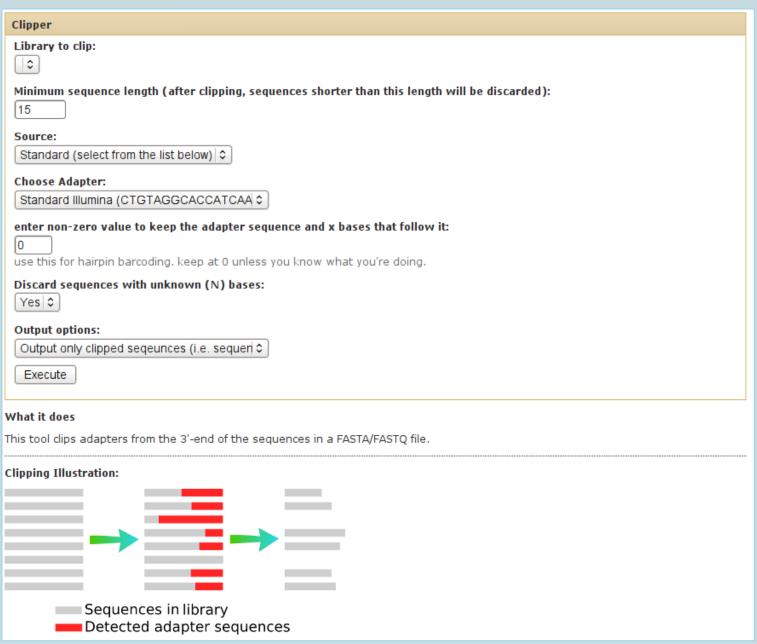


Nucleotide Distribution



FASTA/Q Manipulation Tools (screen-shots from Galaxy)

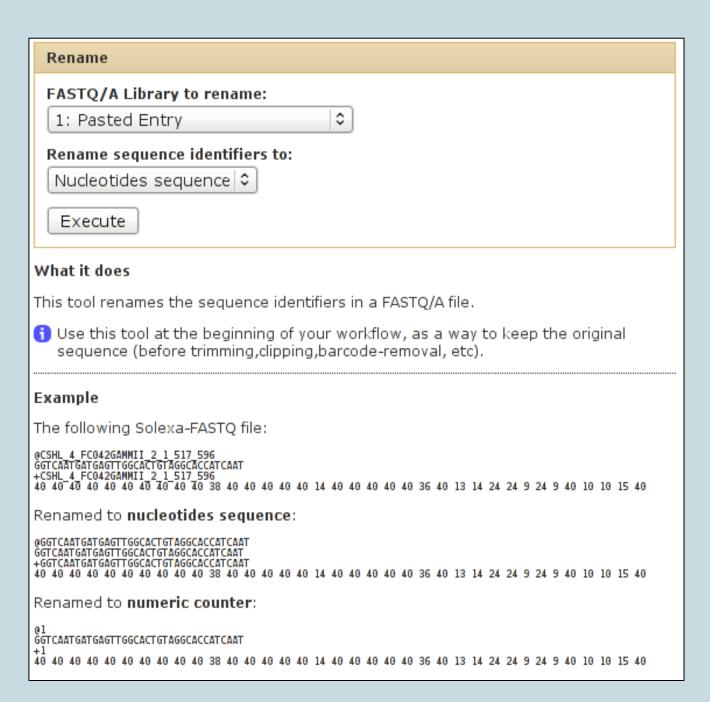
FASTA/Q Clipper



FASTA/Q Trimmer

Trim
Library to clip:
First base to keep:
Last base to keep:
Execute
What it does
This tool trims (cut bases from) sequences in a FASTA/Q file.
Example
Input Fasta file (with 36 bases in each sequences):
>1-1 TATGGTCAGAAACCATATGCAGAGCCTGTAGGCACC >2-1
CAGCGAGGCTTTAATGCCATTTGGCTGTAGGCACCA
Trimming with First=1 and Last=21, we get a FASTA file with 21 bases in each sequences (starting from the first base):
>1-1 TATGGTCAGAAACCATATGCA >2-1 CAGCGAGGCTTTAATGCCATT
Trimming with First=6 and Last=10, will generate a FASTA file with 5 bases (bases 6,7,8,9,10) in each sequences:
>1-1 TCAGA >2-1 AGGCT

FASTA/Q Renamer



FASTA Collapser

Collapse			
Library to	collapse:		
Execute			

What it does

This tool collapses identical sequences in a FASTA file into a single sequence.

Example

Example Input File (Sequence "ATAT" appears multiple times):

```
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_605_414
TGCG
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_537_759
ATAT

>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_774_520
TGGC
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_742_502
ATAT

>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_781_514
TGAG
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_757_487
TTCA
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_903_769
ATAT
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_903_769
ATAT
>CSHL_2_FC0042AGLL00_1_1_724_499
ATAT
```

Example Output file:

TGCG
>2-4
ATAT
>3-1
TGGC
>4-1
TGAG
>5-1
TTCA

>1-1

1 Original Sequence Names / Lane descriptions (e.g. "CSHL_2_FC0042AGLLOO_1_1_742_502") are discarded.

The output sequence name is composed of two numbers: the first is the sequence's number, the second is the multiplicity value.

The following output:

>2-4 ATAT

means that the sequence "ATAT" is the second sequence in the file, and it appeared 4 times in the input FASTA file.

FASTA UnCollapser



Example

Example Input - a collapsed FASTA file (Sequence "ATAT" has four collapsed reads):

>1-1 TGCG >2-4 ATAT

Example Output - uncollapsed FASTA file (Sequence "ATAT" now appears as 4 separate sequences):

>1 TGCG >2 ATAT >3 ATAT >4 ATAT >5 ATAT

1 The original sequence id (with the read counts) are discarded, with the sequence given a numerical name.

This tool is based on FASTX-toolkit by Assaf Gordon.

UnCollapse row (in a text file)



What it does

This tool reads a row (in a table) containing a collapsed sequence ID, and duplicates the .

A You must specify the column containing the collapsed sequence ID (e.g. 15-4).

Example Input File

The following input file contains two collapsed sequence identifiers at column 10: 84-2 and 87-5

(meaning the first has multiplicity-count of 2 and the second has multiplicity count of 5):

Output Example

After uncollapsing (on column 10), the line of the first sequence-identifier is repeated twice, and the line of the second sequence-identifier is repeated five times:

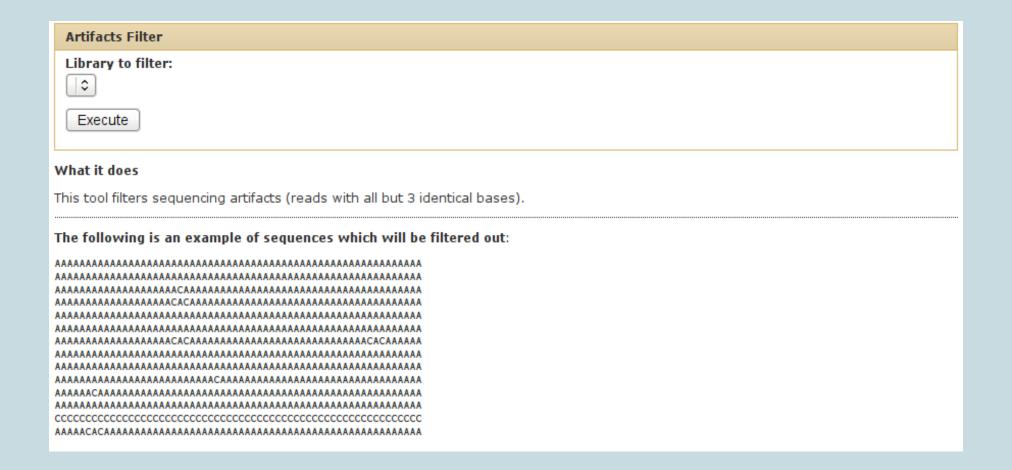


Uncollapsing a text file allows analyys of collapsed FASTA files to be used with any tool which doesn't 'understand' collapsed multiplicity counts.

1 See the Collapse tool in the FASTA Manipulation category for more details about collapsing FASTA files.

This tool is based on FASTX-toolkit by Assaf Gordon.

Artifacts Filter



FASTQ/A Reverse Complement

Reverse-Complement

Library to reverse-complement:



Execute

What it does

This tool reverse-complements each sequence in a library. If the library is a FASTQ, the quality-scores are also reversed.

Example

Input FASTQ file:

@CSHL_1_FC42AGWWWXX: 8: 1: 3: 740

TGTCTGTAGCCTCNTCCTTGTAATTCAAAGNNGGTA

+CSHL_1_FC42AGWWWXX: 8: 1: 3: 740

33 33 34 33 33 33 33 33 33 33 33 33 27 5 27 33 33 33 33 33 27 21 27 33 32 31 29 26 24 5 5 15 17 27 26

Output FASTQ file:

@CSHL_1_FC42AGWWWXX: 8: 1: 3: 740

TACCNNCTTTGAATTACAAGGANGAGGCTACAGACA

+CSHL_1_FC42AGWWWXX: 8: 1: 3: 740

FASTQ-to-FASTA converter

FASTQ to FASTA FASTQ Library to convert: \$ Discard sequences with unknown (N) bases: yes 🗘 Rename sequence names in output file (reduces file size): yes 🗘 Execute What it does

This tool converts data from Solexa format to FASTA format (scroll down for format description).

Example

The following data in Solexa-FASTQ format:

```
@CSHL_4_FC042GAMMII_2_1_517_596
GGTCAATGATGAGTTGGCACTGTAGGCACCATCAAT
+CSHL_4_FC042GAMMII_2_1_517_596
40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 38 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 36 40 13 14 24 24 9 24 9 40 10 10 15 40
```

Will be converted to FASTA (with 'rename sequence names' = NO):

```
>CSHL_4_FC042GAMMII_2_1_517_596
GGTCAATGATGAGTTGGCACTGTAGGCACCATCAAT
```

Will be converted to FASTA (with 'rename sequence names' = YES):

GGTCAATGATGAGTTGGCACTGTAGGCACCATCAAT

FASTA Formatter

FASTA Width Library to re-format: 10: [Pasted Entry] (reformatted) \$ New width for nucleotides strings: Use 0 for single line outout. Execute What it does This tool re-formats a FASTA file, changing the width of the nucleotides lines. TIP: Outputting a single line (with width = 0) can be useful for scripting (with grep, awk, and perl). Every odd line is a sequence identifier, and every even line is a nucleotides line. Example Input FASTA file (each nucleotides line is 50 characters long): >Scaffold3648 AGGAATGATGACTACAATGATCAACTTAACCTATCTATTTAATTTAGTTC CCTAATGTCAGGGACCTACCTGTTTTTGTTATGTTTGGGTTTTGTTGTTG TTGTTTTTTAATCTGAAGGTATTGTGCATTATATGACCTGTAATACACA ATTAAAGTCAATTTTAATGAACATGTAGTAAAAACT >Scaffold9299 CAGCATCTACATAATATGATCGCTATTAAACTTAAATCTCCTTGACGGAG TCTTCGGTCATAACACAAACCCAGACCTACGTATATGACAAAGCTAATAG aactggtctttacctTTAAGTTG Output FASTA file (with width=80): >Scaffold3648 ATGTTTGGGTTTTGTTGTTGTTTTTTTAATCTGAAGGTATTGTGCATTATATGACCTGTAATACACAATTAAAGTCA ATTTTAATGAACATGTAGTAAAAACT >Scaffold9299 CAGCATCTACATAATATGATCGCTATTAAACTTAAATCTCCTTGACGGAGTCTTCGGTCATAACACAAACCCAGACCTAC GTATATGACAAAGCTAATAGaactggtctttacctTTAAGTTG Output FASTA file (with width=0 => single line): >Scaffold3648 CAGCATCTACATAATATGATCGCTATTAAACTTAAATCTCCTTGACGGAGTCTTCGGTCATAACACAAACCCAGACCTACGTATATGACAAAGCTAATAGaactggtctttaacctTTAAGTTG

FASTQ/A barcode splitter

Barcode Splitter
Barcodes to use:
Library to split:
Barcodes found at: Start of sequence (5' end) ♦
Number of allowed mismatches:
Number of allowed barcodes nucleotide deletions:
Execute

What it does

This tool splits a solexa library (FASTQ file) or a regular FASTA file to several files, using barcodes as the split criteria.

Barcode file Format

Barcode files are simple text files. Each line should contain an identifier (descriptive name for the barcode), and the barcode itself (A/C/G/T), separated by a TAB character. Example:

#This line is a comment (starts with a 'number' sign)
BC1 GATCT
BC2 ATCGT
BC3 GTGAT
BC4 TGTCT

For each barcode, a new FASTQ file will be created (with the barcode's identifier as part of the file name). Sequences matching the barcode will be stored in the appropriate file.

One additional FASTQ file will be created (the 'unmatched' file), where sequences not matching any barcode will be stored.

The output of this tool is an HTML file, displaying the split counts and the file locations.

Output Example

Barcode	Count	Location
BC1	69006	http://tango/barcode_splits/2008-08-14_2328_small_BC1.txt
BC2	114576	http://tango/barcode_splits/2008-08-14_2328_small_BC2.txt
BC3	7	http://tango/barcode_splits/2008-08-14_2328_small_BC3.txt
BC4	64948	http://tango/barcode_splits/2008-08-14_2328_small_BC4.txt
unmatched	1463	http://tango/barcode_splits/2008-08-14_2328_small_unmatched.txt
total	250000	

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